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## TESTING SEED FOR GERMINATION

No grain should be sown without first being tested for germination. Anyone can make the test in the home and secure good results if simple instructions are followed. Many farmers who fail to test their grain would save many hundred dollars as well as a great deal of time and labour if they would conduct this little experiment.

All that is needed to conduct a test is a little common sense, two pieces of flannel a couple of feet long and eight inches wide, a pie plate eight inches in diameter and a common saucer about six inches in diameter. Place the saucer upside down in the bottom of the plate, pour water into the plate until the saucer is one-third covered, and throughout the test add water occasionally to keep to this level. Next fold one piece of flannel so that it will nicely cover the saucer and so that the edges of the fold lie into the water around the saucer. On the cloth where it comes over the saucer spread the grain to be tested.

In grain testing one of the important things is to keep the grain moist all the time, but not covered with water. The edges of the cloth upon which the grain rests being in water, the samples will be constantly kept moist. Over the grain place the other piece of flannel loosely folded. This will aid in maintaining evenness of temperature and prevent the kernels becoming dry. Now set the dish with the grain in some place in the room where the temperature will be most nearly uniform.

In selecting the sample for testing count 100 grains. Do not pick out all the big kernels, but take them as they come, thereby getting a test of the sample as it is. In a high class sample of wheat 95 per cent. of the grain should produce vigorous sprouts in three or four days and 98 per cent. should germinate inside of five days. If 90 per cent. germinate inside of seven days and 75 per cent. are strong sprouts, it may be considered fairly good, but if less than 75 per cent. germinate inside of seven days it is poor and means that much heavier seeding should be done in the spring to secure good results. It will be advisable to purchase new seed if you can and can get it as clean of weed seeds as is your own.

Outs require more time and are usually counted at the end of six days and again at the end of ten days. A first class sample should show 90 per cent. germination at the end of six days. Flax requires the same time as wheat. Outs germinate better in March than they do in November. Flax, as a rule, germinates better in the soil than in the testing apparatus. Every man should test his seed

grain.

It is in order to add here that if you are not acquainted with the seeds of the noxious weeds be sure to send a sample of your grain to the Weeds Commissioner, Regina, or to Professor Willing, College of Agriculture, Saskatoon, where it will be examined and returns mailed to you forthwith. If it is not convenient for you to test your seed for germination, you can send a sample to the Dominion Seed Branch, Calgary, Alta. or to the Weeds and Seed Branch, Department of Agriculture, Regina. Inclose an ounce in an envelope with name and address, inclose this in a second envelope and address to either of above places. There is no charge for testing samples for farmers.

WEED AND SEED BRANCH,  
Department of Agriculture.

## School Reports For February

### MIRROR PUBLIC SCHOOL

Senior Department  
Days taught, 19; Average attendance, 26.34; Per centage of attend, 94.07.  
Perfect attendance.—Clarence Ray, Francis McLeod, Clayton Kehoe, James McLeod, Dorothy Dowswell, Irene Heagle, Mayta Neis, Eunice Cook, Gladys Mitchell, Elymer Tulloch, Roy Merkley, Edie Kadlee, Milton Merkle, Andy Lakey, John Clarke, Wallace Setter.

R. L. Pretycher, Teacher.  
Intermediate Department.  
No. Enrolled, 29; Days taught, 19; Average attendance, 27.49. Percentage of Attendance 96.34.

Those making perfect attendance. Dora Brewster, Geo. Crook, Ralph Lakey, Geo. Burton, Geo. Ray, Edna Brewster, Donald Heagle, Lyl Pringle, Willie Burton, Ralph Crook, Harold Merkley, Andrew Ray, Fred Tulloch, Cecil Conway, Grace Tulloch, Bertie Jackson, Laurie Heagle.

Mrs. Bolch, Teacher.  
Primary Department  
No. of days school was open 19  
Average attendance for the month 22.815; Percentage of attendance for the month 84.75.  
Perfect attendance for the month. Andrew Clarke, Andrew Hutehinson, Harold Ray, Blake Dowswell, Teddy Cooke, Claude Marshall, Joe Tulloch, Norman Ray, Arley Kadlee, Vera Bray.  
E. S. Albrecht, Teacher.

### SOUTH BUFFALO LAKE

Grade VIII.—Ester Sorum, 98; Ian Kerr, 97; Ovilla Sorum, 97; Annie Lofstrand, 96; Ed. Kerr, 96.  
Grade VII.—Ester Sorum, 95; Iva Kerr, 89; Robt. Fell, 98; Raymond Sells, 85.  
Grade VI.—Mary Lofstrand, 88; Jane Fell, 84; Pearl Graham, 81; Martha Marshall, 79.  
Grade III.—Myron Sorum, 87;

Vehna Sells, 85; Floyd Sells, 76.  
Grade II.—Violet Sells, 100.  
Grade I.—Roy Marshall, Jas. Marshall, Ray Marshall.  
Present every day 11.  
Alfred Miller, Teacher.

## VILLAGE COUNCIL

The regular meeting of the Village Council took place on Monday, March 1st, 1915, H. J. Raymer, J. Duitman being present.

The following bills were allowed.  
Post Office Box, rent.... \$2.00  
Panrucker & Holland.... 4.00  
Mirror Journal..... 4.50  
Ike Burton..... 25  
Mirror School District.... 3.36  
Duitman & Johnson.... 8.20  
The Secretary was instructed to notify the G. T. P. Development company that the penalty of 5 per cent. on arrears would have to be paid.

The Council will call for plans, specifications and figures for the erection of a tower for drying fire hose, also a shed for to store the hose reel. This building will probably be located more in the business centre of the town, so as to save time in connecting up the hydrants.  
By-law No. 12 also comes in force on March 12th, against stray animals being at large, and Stray was instructed to post notices notifying of same.

## RECEPTION

Mrs. T. S. Little was hostess on Tuesday afternoon and entertained some twenty guests to a very dainty tea.  
Miss Pringle poured tea while Mrs. J. H. Duitman cut the ice and they were assisted by Miss Brewster who served. Everyone enjoyed the visit and the ladies present voted the affair a high success and a charming innovation in Mirror where the social side of our existence is too apt to be neglected.

## Communication

Editor, Mirror Journal:  
Dear Sir.—I should like to thank the following through your paper for the excellent gifts of clothing and shoes which have been sent in aid of the destitute in the dry districts of Alberta.  
Mrs. and Miss Cassidy, Mrs. Flewelling, and three or four others whose gifts are much appreciated, but who left no name. It may be a satisfaction to the donors to know that the parcels have all been forwarded, and we hope to hear from the recipients in time. Again with thanks.

Mrs. LEONA R. BARRITT,  
Prov. Sec'y., W. A. U. F. A.

The Security Elevator Co. closed their elevator on Saturday last for this season, and will not open again until next fall. They report a very good season.

## LOCAL NEWS

Jas. Wright has moved into Frank Allee's residence.

Archdeacon Downey, of Red Deer, will preach in St. Monica's church on March 14th.

Lloyd Humphrey, of Calgary visited with relatives in town for several days last week.

Doris Johnson, of Cranbrook, B. C., has taken a position in the local post office.

Beamish & Co., shipped two cars of hogs to Edmonton on Thursday.

Owing to not receiving change for piano contest list, it remains same as last week.

THE JOURNAL will give 50,000 votes on a new subscription, and 20,000 on a renewal subscription.

R. E. Robinson, of Lacombe, was in town for several days this week in the interest of the Temperance Association.

The Mirror Library Club will hold their regular meeting at Mrs. Wrights on Tuesday afternoon, March 9th.

Miss Day Scripps has resigned her position from the post office. Miss Scripps' smiling countenance will be greatly missed through the window.

All cattle found on the streets after March 12th will be liable to be impounded as by-law No. 12 comes in force on that day.

D. M. Jewell arrived back in Mirror from Rochester, Minn., on Monday, where he underwent an operation. We are pleased to hear that he is much improved in health.

100,500 votes for the piano contest will be given to the first customer spending \$10.00 in cash on Monday at Lyons, Ltd., Successors to The Mirror Cash Store. Store opens at 8:30 a.m. These votes are issued for advertising, etc.

## PIANO CONTEST

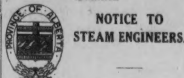
### RECORD

The following is the standing of contestant's in the piano contest.

Contest No.	Number of Votes.
100	123191
2	210776
20	108850
44	103881
25	103935
126	52775
128	36885
148	62103
58	94055
119	23089
68	18952
71	18653
104	138239
129	127144
32	256718
100	294227
100	118471
2	96961
13	66901
28	65368
71	89327
34	48341
11	40553
11	40553
11	122791
104	24409
58	23358
134	70967
11	25359
48	58414
40	66820
121	74914
108	42000
118	26404
118	21600
102	13250
94	10008
130	10000
100	9000
107	8007
107	7008
143	7000
12	5000

W. S. Johnson, of Cranbrook, B. C., arrived in town last Thursday and has rented G. W. Merkley's building and opened up a blacksmiths' shop. We understand that Mr. Johnson will also do tin-smithing, plumbing and motor car repairing. Mr. Johnson comes here highly recommended and no doubt he will get his share of the work.

GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBERTA



## NOTICE TO STEAM ENGINEERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that examinations will be held at the undersigned place by John Douglas a duly appointed Inspector of Steam Boilers for the Province of Alberta.

Red Deer, March 6th, Fire Hall Station, Mar. 18th, National Hotel at Red Deer, a.m. for the purpose of giving Engineers and Apprentices an opportunity of qualifying for Certificates under the provisions of "The Boilers Act," 1912.

Persons not already registered in the Province who may desire application forms, can obtain same by applying to the Department, or to the above named inspector, and such application forms must be properly filled out, witnessed, and declared to before a Commissioner or Justice of the Peace before an examination can be granted.

JOHN STOCKS,  
Deputy Minister,  
Department of Public Works, Edmonton, Alta.

The Journal  
\$1.00  
A YEAR

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BREAD PIES CAKES CANDIES  
and FRESH FRUITS.

Watch, Clock and Jewelry repair shop in connection. Work turned out without unnecessary delay and fully guaranteed.

G. T. P. Time Inspector here.

R. C. TALBOTT, Prop.

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## Stock Buying

We are in a position to buy any stock that is ready for the market, and will pay you the HIGHEST MARKET PRICE

We have a first-class Scale installed in the Stock Yards and you can deliver your stock right there as we are always there to receive your stock and you will not be kept waiting to get your stock weighed.

See us before you sell your stock as we pay the HIGHEST PRICE obtainable, and assure you of a square deal.

**BEAMISH & CO. - Mirror**  
Wholesale and Retail Butcher



### TO Gasoline Engine and Automobile OWNERS

For the Month of February I will overhaul your engine or automobile at a very reduced price.

I have had about fourteen years experience with gas engine and automobiles and I know my business.

Why take your car to a repair shop and pay \$75 or a \$100 for an overhauling when you can get the same job and perhaps better done right at your own garage where you can see what is being done to your car, for

**\$25**

If your gasoline engine is not doing its work satisfactorily let me have a chance at it and I will guarantee to make it do its work right and my charge will not be too much.

A letter to Mirror will catch me any time or leave word at The Mirror Journal Office.

S. A. GRAHN, GAS ENGINE EXPERT  
Mirror, Alberta

### Listings Wanted

I can now arrange exchanges of farms in the Mirror district with revenue producing properties, in the city of Vancouver or also for small fruit farms outside Vancouver.

**W. MacKIRDY**  
MIRROR ALBERTA



### Route Cards

Bring in your order early. Our prices are reasonable. We always have a supply of service checks on hand.

OUR MOTTO:  
Good Workmanship and Promptness.

**The Journal Book Department**

### District News

#### NEVIS

From our own Correspondent

March 2nd

The Ben Nevis coal mines are closed down. The miners being on strike for non-payment of wages. A settlement is expected at an early date when they will resume operations.

Mrs. R. E. Kerr and Miss Iva Kerr returned from a month's visit with friends in Nanton and Calgary. They report a good time.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Graham had the pleasure of entertaining a surprise party, when the young people of the surrounding country gathered together to wish them joy and happiness in their matrimonial life.

Miss Stare, of Edmonton, has been engaged by the School Board to teach the young 'how to shoot, a good attendance is reported.

The Public school held a box social on Dec. 5th. The proceeds went to decorate the school building. An excellent program was provided, and the beautiful well filled boxes were soon disposed of.

Patrick Duffy, our popular blacksmith has gone to greener pastures, his ranch at Delburne leaving an opening for someone to fill the many needs of our flourishing burg.

The new Nevis Hardwood Co. under the management of Frank Kiskman are now well established with a new and up to date stock. We trust they may get their share of the trade.

At a cash sale of farm implements at F. S. Dawson ranch across the river, speaks well for this part of "Sunny Alberta". Bidding was nearly as brisk as at a credit sale.

**50,000 VOTES**

For One New Subscription

**20,000 VOTES**

For one Renewal to

THE MIRROR JOURNAL

If you have not a face that goes  
With opera hat and evening clothes  
Affect a blank and vacant stare.  
"Will get you almost anywhere."  
—Harper's Weekly.

"What is the evil of divorce and remarriage?"  
"The trouble of breaking in a new mother-in-law." —Judge.

Blip, the tight rope walker,  
He had a fall last night.  
"He was on the top of his toes  
And Blip being tight."  
—New York Mail.

"Mollie was trying to keep her property off a secret!"  
"Yes, I noticed they were suspicious attempts." —Baltimore American.

The bachelor's a foolish suit.  
He tries to mend his garments, but  
He will not mend his ways.  
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

"But I've heard that you proposed to three other girls this month."  
"I—er—er—was merely replying for my proposal to you." —Philadelphia Ledger.

He crows he'll lead a drinkless life.  
He got his final score  
When he went home and saw his wife  
With wild parties hair.  
—Washington Star.

Rob—And is he a rival for your girl's hand?  
Tom—I'm afraid he's a rival for her father's foot.—Yonkers Statesman.

"Mother, may I go out to play?"  
"Yes, till dinner calling."  
"But mind you don't get in the way of visitors falling."  
—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

"Do you believe in longer engagements?" asked the old fogey.  
"None," replied the groom. "I believe in longer marriages." —Cincinnati Enquirer.

### Mirror Stock Market

MAR. 5th, 1915.

We will pay the following prices weighed at railway stock yards. Mirror, by Beamish & Co. Subject to change without notice.

Classification on Hogs—  
Choice Hogs.....\$3.75 to \$6.00  
Light Hogs, 100 to 150 lbs. dock 1 to 3¢  
Light Thin Hogs 100 lbs. and down..... " Not valued  
Smooth Sows, 225 to 300 lbs. Dock 1-2 to 1¢

Titty & Heavy Sows..... " 2¢  
Piggy Sows..... " 3¢  
Stags..... " 3¢ to 4¢  
Crippled Hogs..... " 2¢ to 3¢  
Boars and light thin hogs..... No value

CATTLE  
Extra choice steers 1200 lbs. 5.75 to 6.50  
" " 1500 lbs. 5.75 to 6.25  
" " Heifers 1000 lb. 5.00 to 5.75  
" " Cows 1000 lb. 2.00 to 5.20  
" " 600 lb. 2.25 to 4.20  
Oxen..... " 2.25 to 4.50  
Bulls and Stags..... " 2.25 to 3.50

CALVES  
Choice Calves, 150, 250 lbs. 6.50 to 7.00  
" " 250, 350 lbs. 4.00 to 5.00

SHEEP  
Choice Killing Sheep..... 5.00 to 6.25  
LAMBS..... 3.50 to 6.50

Please note there will be a dockage of 2¢ and up on all crippled hogs received. All Hogs and Cattle brought will be subject to a dockage of half of one percent to cover Government condemnation.

POULTRY  
Live—  
No. 1 No. 2 No. 1 No. 2  
Turkeys 14¢ 11¢ 16¢ 13¢  
Geese 10¢ 7¢ 11¢ 8¢  
Chickens 9¢ 6¢ 10¢ 7¢  
Fowl 9¢ 6¢ 10¢ 7¢

Dressed—  
No. 1 No. 2 No. 1 No. 2  
Turkeys 14¢ 11¢ 16¢ 13¢  
Geese 10¢ 7¢ 11¢ 8¢  
Chickens 9¢ 6¢ 10¢ 7¢  
Fowl 9¢ 6¢ 10¢ 7¢

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS  
Notices inserted under this heading at 10.00 for three insertions, not to exceed one inch.

FOR SALE  
High B.P. & O. Sulley plough, 16 inch stubble bottom and 14 inch breaker bottom, almost new. Apply THE MIRROR JOURNAL.

183-mp.

FOR SALE  
Purchased Hereford stock, Two year old Bulls for sale also two year old, three year old, and older she-stock. F.Y.M. BROS.

11-16n. Box 140, Mirror

Col. W. A. Stewart  
All kinds of sales held in any part of Alberta. For terms and dates call at The Journal Office.

St. Monica's Church  
Sunday, Mar. 7th, Holy Communion 11 a. m.

Sunday, March 7th, Mission service 7:30 p. m.

Evening song and address at 3:30 on the other Sundays in the month.

Sunday School 2 p. m.

M. W. Holdom.

## THE CANADIAN BANK OF COMMERCE

SIR EDMUND WALKER, C.V.O., L.L.D., B.C.L., President  
ALEXANDER LAIRD, General Manager JOHN AIRD, Asst. General Manager  
V. C. BROWN, Superintendent of Central Western Branches

CAPITAL, \$15,000,000 RESERVE FUND, \$13,500,000

### SAVINGS BANK ACCOUNTS

Interest at the current rate is allowed on all deposits of \$1 and upwards. Careful attention is given to every account. Small accounts are welcomed. Accounts may be opened and operated by mail.

Accounts may be opened in the names of two or more persons, withdrawals to be made by any one of them or by the survivor. W31

T. S. LITTLE, Manager Mirror Branch

## Mr. Farmer!

Would you like to make money as easy as easiest is made? If so we will show you how to make \$450 with practically no money invested. If you wish to be shown call at our office and say you would like our plan explained.

Remember our plan is solid facts, not a joke, it is up to you, do you want it, then come or phone to our office.

### Imperial Lumber Co. Ltd.

K. B. Iveson, Mgr., Mirror

## PIANOS

I am agent for Mirror for the MASON & RICH Piano Company.

### Pianoes sold on easy Monthly Payments

Agent for R. S. Williams & Son, the largest music supply house in Canada. Can supply you with any musical instrument made at list price.

EDISONS and VICTOR GRAMOPHONES.  
No Edison records sold for Babson machines.

CHAS. SUGGETT, P. C., A. C., Phm. B.

## If You Are Not Saving Piano VOTES

Help one of your friends who is

Ask for Piano Votes for FOR EVERY CENT of Your Purchase WE WANT YOU TO HAVE THEM.

**DUITMAN & JOHNSON**

## Piano Contest

The Mirror Journal will give the following number of Votes on the Piano Contest at Duitman & Johnson store, as follows:—

25,000 Votes for a New Subscription  
15,000 " for a Renewal Subscription  
5 " for ever cent on Job Printing  
5 " for every cent on Advertising

Cut out this Coupon, and present it at Duitman & Johnson's store and they will exchange it for 100 Votes on the Piano Contest.

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## Attention

### Big Contest Big Contest

The Mirror Hardware Co.'s Contest Commencing from to-day and ending Aug. 19th, 1915.

We give with every Dollar Cash Purchase one coupon, and the one having the most Coupons will receive:

First Highest: One Kitchen Range  
Second Highest: One 22 High Power Rifle  
Third Highest: One Handsome Gasoline Lamp  
Fourth Highest: One Splendid Carving Set

We want your trade and these prizes will be given absolutely free.

This contest is for the purpose of introducing ourselves to those who are not our regular customers and to show our appreciation of those we have had the pleasure of serving.

All accounts have to be paid on or before Jan. 25th, or will be handed into our Lawyer for collection.

**The Mirror Hardware Co.**  
Corner Robert and Gilmour Mirror, Alberta

### A. J. FRANK, A. A. I.

Auctioneer and Agent for Farm Lands, Insurance, etc. Auction 2 1/2 a. m. of Stock, Furniture, etc., auctioned in any part of the Province. Money to loan on Farm property.

BASHAW ALBERTA

### Dr. G. W. Meyer

M.D., C.M., PHYSICIAN and SURGEON Office at house, opposite English Church.

Is your subscription paid.

THE JOURNAL \$1.00



## The Mirror Journal

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Alberta.

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cents per line for first insertion; 10  
cents per line for subsequent insertions.  
Lost, Strayed or Found Notices, 50  
cents for one insertion. Three inser-  
tions for \$1.00.Professional Advertisements, \$1.00  
per month.Reading Notices in Local columns,  
10 cents per line for first insertion; 5  
cents per line for subsequent inser-  
tions.Display Advertising Rates given on  
application.All Contract Advertising Accounts  
payable at the end of each month.We do not necessarily incur li-  
ability or accept responsibility for all views  
expressed by correspondents or con-  
tributors. Letters may be signed by  
anon. de plume, provided they are ac-  
companied by a bona fide signature.

J. H. SALTON, Publisher

MIRROR, ALTA., MAR. 5, 1915

## Communication


Editor, of The Mirror Journal:

Dear Sir,—I would like to  
ask if I may be allowed a little  
space in your columns to ex-  
press my views on the action  
taken by our Village reeve.I was told by the manager of  
Lyons Ltd., that the reeve of  
our Village made them pay a  
license of \$25, which I am given  
to understand is called a Trans-  
ient license.I wonder why they did not  
grand collect the license from  
the Jeweller who was the lat-  
est arrival before Lyons, Ltd.  
took over the stock of The  
Mirror Cash Store, to make  
sure that he also did not prove  
a transient.Does this seem fair to our  
town, which is trying to build  
up its business, and, looking at  
it from my point of view I  
think it very unfair justice.  
The manager, Chas. Lyons in-  
formed me that they did not  
intend or ever think of coming  
into Mirror to be treated as  
Transients but to open up a per-  
manent branch in Mirror, but  
now what will be the result of  
such an action.I wonder if our reeve is real-  
ly wanting the village to build  
up its business or would like to  
see our village gradually sink  
rather than see people coming  
in from other towns to do  
their trading, no he would  
rather see the village he  
lives in and represents die  
sooner than encourage new  
business firms to locate in Mir-  
ror.It is a true saying, "Buy  
where you can buy cheapest,"  
as for instance take price of  
of sugar, before Lyons Ltd.  
located in Mirror, was \$1.00 per  
20 lb. sack and now they have  
had to come down to their  
price to hold their custom.I can cite several instances  
where different businesses in  
Mirror have benefited the  
short time that Lyons Ltd.  
have been in town. I think if  
we only had a few more en-  
terprising business men like  
Lyons Ltd. Mirror would soon  
become a city as people would  
come to Mirror and locate, but  
on the other side of it they are  
driven to spend their money  
out of town. Thanking you  
Mr. Editor for the space.

Yours truly,

"CITIZEN,"

## LYONS, LTD.

Are Selling the Fine stock of  
**THE MIRROR CASH STORE**At prices that have set all the Mer-  
chants on their Back'sOur system in buying goods gives us the power to **SELL** at Prices  
that other Merchants can't buy it. Our Buyer has just come back,  
and a big stock of Merchandise consisting of**SHOES DRY GOODS AND**  
**FURNISHINGS Just Arrived****SPECIAL**We have bought 1000 pair of the Famous Clacic Shoes for Children and  
Gents, from a good Edmonton House at our own price, and same is  
placed on the bargain table at a very low price. Come and see them.**Suits Is Our Long Suit**We can suit you in a best Blue Serge Suit that's guaranteed to stand  
the test or we will refund the money, at our special price \$16.45, reg. \$25.**LOT No. 2.****Mens Brown Tweed and Blue Serge. Special at \$7.85****Groceries and Drygoods**  
**HATS AND CAPS REDUCED ACCORINGLY. YOU**  
**ARE INVITED TO COME.****We pay Highest Prices for Butter, Egg, Potatoes, Hides, Furs, Etc.****Come and Investigate****LYONS, LIMITED****CHAS. LYONS, Manager****Successor to MIRROR CASH STORE****AGASSIZ AND A HERRING.**And a Student Who Finally Succeeded  
in Making a Discovery.A student enrolled in Agassiz's class.  
For several days Agassiz paid no atten-  
tion to him whatever. At length, tired  
of standing around like the student  
asked Agassiz to give him something to  
do. Agassiz's reply was to hand him a  
herring and to say, "Study this." The  
student was bewildered, but set about  
"studying" it. The next day Agassiz  
asked him what he had learned about  
the herring. The student replied that it  
had two eyes, so many fins and such  
and such markings."No, not" Agassiz cried. "Study it  
more. Those things are not important."  
The next day and the next the expe-  
rience was repeated. The fourth day  
Agassiz again demanded information  
about the herring specimen. In a  
desperate attempt at humor the stu-  
dent replied, "Well, it's the same on  
both sides.""That's it!" shouted Agassiz. "That's  
it! A starfish isn't the same on both  
sides, an oyster isn't, thousands of  
specimens of the sea are not. When  
you find one that is, you've found a  
starting point in a new stage in the  
evolution of life."Obviously, that student learned more  
from that one lesson about the scien-  
tific method of study than he would  
have learned in a year's reading and  
lectures. The textbooks would have  
taught him the facts; Agassiz taught  
him the method of learning all facts—  
"World's Work."**Lighting a Picture.**The hall in the Hike museum, in  
Amsterdam, which contains Rem-  
brandt's "The Night Watch," painted  
in 1664, was specially built to hold the  
picture that the lighting might be as  
perfect as possible. The picture is al-  
ways lighted, the hall always dark.  
Originally the picture was arranged  
indiscreetly as to light and space. When, in  
1715, it was transferred from the Dose-  
len to the town hall it was made to fit  
into its new position by having strips  
cut off the corners on either side and  
off the top, which destroyed the bal-  
ance.**Head to Be.**Little five-year-old Bessie was telling  
about some medicine she had taken  
while ill."Yes," she said, "I took some com-  
pulsion of cod liver oil, and—""You mean emulsion, don't you,  
dear—emulsion?" said the vis-  
itor."Well," rejoined Bessie, "there was a  
good deal of compulsion about it!"—  
Pittsburgh Press.**Unsympathetic.**"Willie," whispered auntie in the  
street car, "why don't you get up? Re-  
mind your seat to your father? Doesn't  
it pain you to see him reaching for the  
strap?""Not in a car," responded the young-  
ster, settling back comfortably in his  
seat.—People's Home Journal.**Laughs First.**"What makes you begin to laugh  
every time you see me?" asked Mr.  
Grovechen."I'm taking time by the forelock,"  
replied his wife. "I know there won't be  
a chance in the world for me to laugh  
after I have talked with you for five  
minutes!"—Washington Star.**On a High Horse.**Howell—He's usually on his high  
horse. Powell—Yes; he is a sort of  
equestrian statue of himself.—New  
York Times.**Megglemania.**"Egotistical, isn't she?"  
"Yep—thinks if she borrowed some  
dishes of a neighbor that next day  
there'd be an article in the papers or  
the China loan!"—New York Times.**Her Name.**She was round, and she was ruddy,  
Her cheeks were like the rose,  
And she weighed at least one-eighth.  
As the hay scale round about  
She was round as any dollar.  
And no stronger yet you've met.  
Yet this big and robust creature  
Had been christened Violet.  
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.**Speaking of Settlements.**Bill—This paper says that Clayton,  
Mo., is about to annex nine small set-  
tlements on its borders. Jill—Well, the  
lady I board with is trying to do the  
same thing.—Youkers Statesman.**A Woman's Plea.**Say I'm getting old and I'll  
try to keep from being fearful.  
Bravely I will try to smile.  
And pretend that I am cheerful.  
Say my hair is turning gray, say  
I'm old—it will not matter.  
Say my youth is gone, say my  
do not say I'm getting fat!  
—Chicago Record-Herald.


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